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Appl. No. : 10/002,842 Confirmation No. 3654  
Applicant(s) : James Hunter Boone, et al.  
Filed : 11/14/2001  
Group Art Unit : 1641  
Examiner : Lisa V. Cook  
Title : METHOD FOR DIFFERENTIATING IRRITABLE BOWEL  
SYNDROME FROM INFLAMMATORY BOWEL DISEASE (IBD)  
AND FOR MONITORING PERSONS WITH IBD USING TOTAL  
ENDOGENOUS LACTOFERRIN AS A MARKER

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Dear Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

In response to the Office Action dated September 29, 2005, Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of time in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), up to and including January 29, 2005, in the above-referenced application. Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$60.00 is attached for the one-month extension of time to Deposit Account No. 19-2112. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (a)(3), the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-2112.

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